

Committee: **Ecological and Environmental Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC)**

Organization/Sector represented: **Greenhouse horticulture**

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Occupation: **President and CEO- Van Luyk Greenhouses and Garden Centre**

Work experience: **I have been working as a Research Scientist (Plant Pathology) since 2006.**

**In January 2017 took up the position as CEO for Van Luyk's**

Education: **Education Ph.D. (Plant Pathology) Michigan State University M.S. (Plant Pathology) Michigan State University B.S. (Botany Honors) University of Colombo, Sri Lanka I have worked as a Research Scientist in bio-ethanol project at Plant Research laboratory, Phragmites Management project and STEM (Science) education project.**

Skills: **Knowledge in Plant diseases and Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Working experience in invasive physiology and Ecology of Phragmites Scientific project management, evaluation Science Technology Engineering Mathematics (STEM) education**

Interest reason: **I care deeply about this community and natural environment. I believe its our duty to be vigilant in safeguarding our environment- create awareness about invasive species, IPM) I am committed to promote STEM education**

Contributions: **I am looking forward to share my expertise and experience in plant diseases, environment I will be happy to work with teams to evaluate diverse projects or other duties**

Past contributions: **Mentor –Undergraduate Independent Research Program, Michigan State University (MSU) Mentor-Bio-energy research, (MSU) Member- Steering Committee, Okemos Public School Mentor- High School Summer Research program**

Interpersonal: **In my current position as a CEO, I had to work in diverse teams of staff where we discuss, respect others skills and knowledge to make decisions. In previous positions, as a Researcher and Mentor, we discuss and exchange ideas and view .**

Interview interest: **Yes**